

HAPPENINGS OF 1898.

A Chronological Array of the Most Prominent Events.

STORY OF SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR.

Brief Mention of Financial Failures, Startling Catastrophes and Crimes—Acrology of Year—Politics and Sport.

BANK FAILURES.

- Jan. 17—State, Elmwood, Ill., \$300,000.
24—National, Paola, Kan., suspended.
31—First national, Larimore, N. D., \$71,754.
Feb. 24—Bank of Southern Baltimore, \$170,000.
Mar. 16—Home savings, Sioux City, Ia., \$200,000; Benson savings, Watford, Pa., \$40,000.
24—Bank of Merriam Park, St. Paul, Minn., \$1,000,000.
25—People's state, Philadelphia, nearly \$1,000,000.
26—Continental Finance Co., Philadelphia, \$1,047,500.
Jun. 7—Delaware national, Delhi, N. Y., \$25,000.
20—Thomas J. Kirby, private, Abilene, Kan., \$233,000.
Jul. 20—Commercial state, Marshalltown, Ia., \$100,000.
21—German savings, Doon, Ia., \$50,474.
23—Tasaw savings, Tawasa City, Mich. (suspended).
Aug. 11—Bank of Waverly, Ill., \$150,000.
27—Fillmore county, Preston, Minn., \$150,000.
Sep. 14—D. F. Parsons, private, Burr Oak, Mich., \$100,000.
15—Jasper, Ala., bank, \$65,000.
26—Allentown, at Clifton Forge, Va., liabilities, \$50,000.
Oct. 4—Trustee's national, at New York, \$2,000,000 due depositors. Liabilities placed at \$3,800,000.
13—Toga national, of Oswego, N. Y., closed.
19—First national of Nellig, Neb., liabilities \$108,000; German national of Pittsburgh, Pa., liabilities, \$7,000,000.
21—First national, of Lisbon, O., capital \$50,000—closed; resumed on Nov. 15.
22—Second national, of Springfield, O., goes into liquidation.
Nov. 2—First national, of Flushing, O., suspends.
16—First national, of Emporia, Kan., closed. President suicides an hour later.
22—Bank of Quincyville, N. Y., closes doors with liabilities of \$75,000.
Dec. 2—Second national, of Toledo, O., goes into voluntary liquidation.
Dec. 6—American savings, at Charleston, S. C., placed in hands of receiver. Liabilities, \$100,000.

BUSINESS FAILURES.

- Larger Commercial Concerns Involving Liabilities of \$500,000 or More.
Jan. 10—Port of Chalmette, near New Orleans, La., \$200,000.
17—At New York, Wertheimer & Co., glove manufacturers, \$900,000.
Feb. 4—At Providence, R. I., locomotive works, \$610,000.
23—Sawyer, Manning & Co., dry goods, New York and Boston, \$1,000,000.
Apr. 11—At Dodgeville, N. Y., Alfred Dodge & Son, piano supplies, \$1,250,000.
27—At Boston, E. Howard Clock & Watch Co., \$500,000.
Jun. 10—At Bangor, Me., L. B. Clark & Co., tanners, \$550,000.
13—At Chicago, Joseph Leiter, gigantic wheat speculator.
15—Boston, Warren Hose & Rubber Co., \$1,200,000.
Jul. 14—At Providence, R. I., John H. Mason & Sons, cotton manufacturers, \$500,000.
26—At Bridgeton, N. Y., Cumberland Nail & Iron Co.
27—Denver, Col., Paper Co.
28—Boston, Hosmer, Coddling & Co., shoe and shoe dealers, \$500,000.
Sep. 23—New England Loan & Trust Co., at Des Moines, Ia., into receiver's hands.
Oct. 1—U. A. & J. Sawyer, woolen manufacturers, in Manchester, N. H., \$1,000,000.
6—Bankers' & Merchants' Mutual Fire Insurance Co., at Liberty, Mo., assigned.
25—John Stephenson & Co., of N. Y., car builders, failed for \$700,000.
Nov. 1—John H. Mason & Sons, cotton goods manufacturers, of Providence, R. I., failed for \$310,000.
3—T. B. Rayl, president of T. B. Rayl Hardware Co., of Detroit, failed for \$200,000.
11—Turney & Jones Coal Co. and Penn. & O. Fuel Co., of St. Paul, Minn., go into receiver's hands. Liabilities, \$1,200,000.
17—Seidenberg, Steife & Co., cigar dealers in New York, failed for \$200,000.
25—At Woodbine, Kan., Grant C. Gillett, extensive cattle dealer, failed for \$1,000,000.
29—George Jenkins, New York builder, failed for \$710,388.

CASUALTIES.

Disasters of Various Kinds Which Resulted in Five or More Deaths.

- Jan. 1—Jersey City, N. J., 6 in a fire.
12—Fort Smith, Ark., 40 in burning tornado.
Feb. 1—Gloucester, N. Y., 6 in burning hotel.
6—Boston, 6 firemen at a fire.
24—Fairfield county, S. C., 7 in forest fire.
26—Kalamazoo, Mich., 10 by chemical explosion.
Mar. 2—Near Brewton, Ala., 6 by boiler explosion.
13—New York, 11 by burning of the Bowers mission house.
16—Chicago, 10 in burning office building.
19—Pratt City, Ala., 6 negro convicts in a mine explosion.
26—Near Lehigh, I. T., 6 during tornado.
Apr. 25—Santa Cruz, Cal., 11 in powder mill explosion.
28—Near Dover, N. J., 6 by powder explosion.
29—St. Vincente, Mex., 15 by explosion of powder on pack train.
May 6—In the Grand, Virginius and Arkansas bottoms, Tex., floods drown 17 families.
26—Near Springfield, Mo., 6 swept off raft.
27—In Iowa, Illinois and Wisconsin, 70 during cyclones.
28—Frazee lake, Alaska, 7 drowned while crossing the ice.
Jun. 14—St. Louis, Mo., 6 in mine disaster.
15—Near Kansas City, 8 by cloudburst.
23—On the route from Seattle to Alaska, 97 by drowning, cold and hunger.
Jul. 4—Near Beverly, Mass., 6 by capsizing of steamer.
6—South of Sable islands, 655 drowned by collision of French liner La Bourgogne with English, Cromartyshire.
11—Cleveland, O., 11 by explosion in tunnel.
12—Pompton, N. J., 8 in powder works explosion.
13—San Francisco, 5 in burning building.
14—Hamazoville, Mo., 6 while fording river in wagon.
Aug. 3—Near Dover Point, N. H., 5 by capsizing of boat.
9—In Kuskokwim river, Alaska, 18 by sinking of steamer.

- 15—In Hawkins county, Tenn., 32 in recent cloudburst.
19—Near Pittsburgh, Pa., 6 by drowning caused by cloudburst.
22—At Hot Springs, Ark., 6 in burning hotel.
22—Near Pittsburgh, Pa., 7 by caving in of earth tunnel.
23—At Olathe, Kan., 8 by powder plant explosion.
23—Steamer on way to Alaska sinks, 43 by drowning.
Sep. 2—At Stinesville, Ind., 7 by premature dynamite explosion.
3—On Mississippi river, near Fort St. Philip, 6 by steamboat explosion.
5—At Cohoes, N. Y., 23 by trolley car and train collision.
11—Jerome, A. T., over 30 by fire.
15—In Philadelphia by gasoline explosion.
20—Toledo, O., 10 in explosion of dust in elevator.
23—At Milan, Mo., 5 by scalding in sawmill explosion.
Oct. 2—Over 100 persons missing in forest fires in northern Wisconsin—Majority killed.
4—At least 100 lives lost by storms on Georgia and Florida coasts.
20—Torpedo boat Davis at Astoria, Ore., 7 by bursting of boiler tubes.
22—In Indian territory, 5 in freight wreck.
22—In Alaska, 9 prospectors by wrecking of carts.
27—Near Canyon City, Ore., 5 Indians and 1 white man in battle between 10 whites and 5 reds.
31—At Elmore, O., 6 in boiler explosion.
Nov. 1—During past week 14 vessels of Gloucester, Mass., fishing fleet lost and 82 men drowned.
2—At Alaska, 7 gold seekers perish in quicksand.
5—At West Point, Pa., 10 at Exeter colliery.
13—On Oregon coast, near Yaquina Bay, 23 by wrecking of British ship Atlanta.
23—At Ashburn, Mo., 6 by explosion at powder works.
24—In Stockton, Cal., 6 by explosion of boiler in steamer.
27—In New York harbor, 8 in storm.
28—On Highland light, near Boston, all of the 150 on board the Portland in wreck.
Dec. 3—In New York, 6 by scalding in steamer.
5—At Pinole, Cal., 5 by explosion in powder works.
Off Portland, Me., 3 coal barges lost with 21 on board.

CRIMES.

The More Atrocious Misdeeds, Specialized Those of a Domestic Nature.

- Jan. 6—At Greenville, Tenn., Alexander Carter (insane) kills wife, daughter and suicides.
17—New York, John Matthews, through dependency, kills wife, 2 children and suicides.
Mar. 2—At Cedar Rapids, Ia., A. S. Healy kills Libbie Brauchard and suicides.
15—Niagara Falls, N. Y., A. Lathwell kills wife, another woman and commits suicide.
23—At Rock, Tex., Lee family (4) murdered.
Apr. 7—In Milwaukee James Kearney kills wife and self.
9—In St. Louis, John Cella kills Mrs. H. Carter and suicides.
13—Near Monroe, Neb., Veasley Hass kills wife, 2 children and suicides.
May 3—In New York Jacob Gramm kills 3 children and fatally wounds self while beating his mother-in-law.
5—Venango township, Pa., F. Schuchter kills G. Henderson, E. Skinner and suicides during a quarrel.
10—Bend, Ind., F. Harrington kills Mrs. Valhert and suicides.
11—Near Plainville, Ill., Wm. Perrine kills daughter and suicides. Temporally insane.
17—At Knoxville, Ill., E. Hammerstrom drowns daughter and commits suicide.
Jun. 7—At Hot Springs, Ark., J. W. Eting kills wife and commits suicide. Domestic trouble.
10—At Kalamazoo, Mich., Chas. Langley shoots wife and self. Jealousy.
14—At Trenton, Ia., Perry Elliott kills Effie Kelly and suicides in a fit of jealousy.
24—Fulton, N. Y., William Cooper kills wife and commits suicide.
Jul. 10—Near Washington, Ind., James Cole (colored) murders wife and kills himself.
19—In Oakland, Cal., Goong Chung (Chinese), in trying to escape arrest, blows up powder magazine and he and 6 are killed.
Aug. 6—In Davenport, Ia., Henry Schultz kills wife and self.
23—Near Bloomington, Ind., Mrs. Lucas drowns child and herself.
23—At New York, Mrs. Kate Mangin, while dependent, kills self and two children.
24—At Russell, Ia., Wm. M. Newell kills wife and daughter and self. Financial trouble the cause.
Sep. 9—At Denver Florence Richardson shoots H. Lawrence, of Cleveland, Ohio, and suicides.
11—At Wyandotte, Mich., Ezekiel Lazetti, while drunk, kills wife and self.
14—Near Grand Rapids, Mich., Jesse Badger kills wife and sister and self. Jealousy.
15—In Louisville, Ky., Nellie McGuffin kills Joseph F. Miller, his child and self.
17—In Chicago, Fred Benjamin, white drunk, kills Mrs. Emma Jungenberg, her son and daughter.
19—Near Churchville, W. Va., Ward Wolf kills father, brother and self.
19—In Indianapolis, William Bloom shoots Grace Harvey and kills himself.
Oct. 1—At Detroit, Mich., Mrs. S. Williams, insane over religion, poisons her two children and cuts her own throat.
2—At Indianapolis, Ind., Robert Leah kills wife and himself.
2—At Pittsburgh, Pa., Bertha Berstein kills mother and suicides while dependent.
4—In Cleveland, O., Sam H. Dickerson kills Mrs. Blanche Winship and himself.
4—At Garret, Ind., Jesse Cheney kills his divorced wife and self.
17—At Flint, Mich., W. P. Murray kills wife and self.
19—Near Hamilton, O., W. H. Branton kills Constable John H. Jenkins, then shoots wife and self. Domestic infelicity the cause.
25—At Carpersville, Miss., 14 negroes and 1 white man killed in race riots.
28—In Lenora, Kan., Wm. Elliott kills Fannie Leibel and suicides because she refused to marry him.
Nov. 1—Near Hamilton, Ala., Dan Holliday, during a quarrel, kills John McLeod, his brother-in-law and himself.
3—In Finerville, Ky., John Meadows shoots John and Clayton Mathews.
10—In Wilmington, N. C., white citizens wreck negro newspaper office and kill 9 negroes. Three whites are wounded.
21—Near Rochester, Ind., Josiah Bowers kills his brother-in-law, Wm. Carr, and then himself.

- 26—In New York, Frank Rhoner kills wife and self because of poverty.
Dec. 3—At Fort Madison, Ia., Frank Bush murders wife and then kills himself.

FIRE.

Noting the Greater Conflagrations Involving Large Financial Losses.

- Jan. 2—Dawson City, Alaska, business part, \$200,000.
11—Shawnee, O. T., 14 business houses, \$700,000.
25—East St. Louis, Ill., Union elevator, \$1,000,000.
Feb. 1—Nauvutuck, Conn., U. S. Rubber Co.'s plant, \$700,000.
2—In Winnipeg, Man., McIntyre block, \$500,000.
9—Pittsburgh, cold storage plant, \$1,775,000.
12—New York, Levi P. Morton's office building, \$500,000.
Mar. 1—Watermeet, Mich., nearly entire business portion.
10—Chicago, Ayer building, \$300,000.
Apr. 4—Rock Hill, S. C., 12 buildings, \$250,000.
9—At Sacramento, Cal., Southern Pacific Ry. storehouse, \$1,000,000.
12—Penn. plate glass plant at North Irwin, Pa., \$1,000,000.
17—Boston grain elevator, \$500,000.
May 2—In Logansport, Ind., portion of business part.
7—In Portsmouth, O., Burgess Steel & Iron Co.'s plant, \$400,000.
8—Park City, Utah, almost entirely destroyed, \$1,000,000.
Aug. 2—Center Ridge, Ark., nearly destroyed.
8—Bismarck, N. D., business portion and many residences, over \$1,000,000.
20—Nashville, Tenn., hardware establishment of Phillips-Buthoff Co. and other property, \$500,000.
Sep. 2—Rapid River, Mich., 14 buildings.
10—Toledo, O., elevator. Property worth \$600,000.
Oct. 1—Eight blocks in best portion of Colorado Springs, Col., loss \$1,000,000.
5—In Clarksville, Tenn., over \$500,000 damage.
11—At Tacoma, Wash., Tourists' hotel, loss \$800,000.
24—In Brooklyn, N. Y., \$500,000 damage done among storehouses on pier.
Nov. 23—At St. Louis, Baldwin hotel, loss about \$1,500,000.
Dec. 3—Nearly whole business portion of Eufaula, I. T.
4—At New York, Home Life Insurance Co. Postal Telegraph Co. and Rogers Peet & Co. buildings. Loss over \$1,000,000.

FOREIGN.

Brief Mention of the Most Important Happenings Outside Our Own Land.

- Jan. 1—New cabinet of provisional government in Cuba swears loyalty to Spain at Havana.
12—Mobs headed by Spanish officers destroy newspaper offices in Havana; Commodore Bunce ready to go to protection of American consulate.
15—In Mariboro, Mass., 2,600 employees in 7 shoe factories strike for higher wages.
16—Coal miners at Virden, Ill., out since Jan. 1; return to work by Feb. 1.
24—At Augusta, Ga., 6,000 cotton mill operatives struck on account of a reduction in wages.
Dec. 2—Grand jury at Carlinville, Ill., indict J. C. Tanner in connection with riots at Virden.
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